

**Occupational Employment Projections, Year 2002 Projected to Year 2012**  
**Hattiesburg Metropolitan Statistical Area**

Counties Included: Forrest, Lamar, Perry

| Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) |   | 2002<br>Employment | 2012<br>Projected<br>Employment | Projected<br>Employment Growth<br>2002 to 2012 |              | Total<br>Projected<br>Avg. Annual<br>Job Openings |
|--|---|--------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------|---|
| Code                                       | Occupation  |                    |                                 | Number   | Percent      |   |
| <b>31-0000</b>                             | <b>Healthcare Support Occupations</b>                           | <b>1,570</b>       | <b>2,090</b>                    | <b>520</b>                                     | <b>33.1%</b> | <b>75</b>   |
| <b>31-1000</b>                             | <b>Nursing, Psychiatric, and Home Health Aides</b>              | <b>980</b>         | <b>1,270</b>                    | <b>290</b>                                     | <b>29.6%</b> | <b>40</b>   |
| 31-1011                                    | Home Health Aides   | 90                 | 120                             | 30   | 33.3%        | 5   |
| 31-1012                                    | Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants                        | 860                | 1,120                           | 260  | 30.2%        | 35  |
| 31-1013                                    | Psychiatric Aides   | 30                 | 30                              | 0  | 0.0%         | 0   |
| <b>31-2000</b>                             | <b>Occupational and Physical Therapist Assistants and Aides</b> | <b>60</b>          | <b>90</b>                       | <b>30</b>                                      | <b>50.0%</b> | <b>5</b>  |
| 31-2021                                    | Physical Therapist Assistants                                   | 50                 | 70                              | 20   | 40.0%        | 5   |
| 31-2022                                    | Physical Therapist Aides  | 10                 | 10                              | 0  | 0.0%         | 0   |
| <b>31-9000</b>                             | <b>Other Healthcare Support Occupations</b>                     | <b>530</b>         | <b>730</b>                      | <b>200</b>                                     | <b>37.7%</b> | <b>30</b>   |
| 31-9011                                    | Massage Therapists  | 10                 | 10                              | 0  | 0.0%         | 0   |
| 31-9091                                    | Dental Assistants   | 100                | 120                             | 20   | 20.0%        | 5   |
| 31-9092                                    | Medical Assistants  | 220                | 340                             | 120  | 54.5%        | 15  |
| 31-9093                                    | Medical Equipment Preparers                                     | 30                 | 40                              | 10   | 33.3%        | 0   |
| 31-9094                                    | Medical Transcriptionists                                       | 120                | 140                             | 20   | 16.7%        | 5   |
| 31-9095                                    | Pharmacy Aides  | 0                  | 10                              | 10   | 100.0%       | 0   |
| 31-9096                                    | Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers          | 10                 | 10                              | 0  | 0.0%         | 0   |
| 31-9099                                    | Misc. Healthcare Support Workers                                | 50                 | 60                              | 10   | 20.0%        | 0   |